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## COMMUNICATION REGARDING PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT

Applicants received a Notice of Allowance and Fees Due from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, mailed on June 25, 2009, which stated that the Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) to date is 0 days.

The National Stage of the instant application commenced under 35 U.S.C. §371 (b)/(f) on September 19, 2006 and is therefore subject to the patent term adjustment procedures set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.702 to 1.705 for applications filed on or after May 29, 2000. Applicants have calculated the Patent Term Adjustment based on 37 C.F.R. §§1.702 et seq. through the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance and agree that the Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. § 154(b) to date is 0 days.

Applicants reserve the right to request any further patent term adjustment based on the actual issue date of the instant application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.702(a) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.702(b).

Respectfully submitted,

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